## Are you a local entity looking to use federal relief funds to invest in local transportation projects?



The Kansas Department of Transportation's (KDOT) Cost
Share Program provides local entities and communities
financial assistance for transportation construction
projects that improve safety, support job retention and
growth, improve access or mobility, relieve congestion and
improve the transportation system. Federal funds from the
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) can potentially be
used as a community match for projects that meet ARPA
and the cost share program's eligibility requirements.

## Cost share eligibility

- All applicants must provide at least a 15% local cash match to the proposed program
- KDOT funds are used exclusively to match construction costs for these projects

Not all projects that potentially meet cost share eligibility will meet ARPA eligibility. If a project is potentially ARPA eligible and also meets Cost Share program requirements, ARPA funding can be used as a match in order to fund a larger project.

## How to apply:

More information on the KDOT Cost Share Program application process can be found here

To learn more about the Cost Share Program, please email <u>michelle.d.needham@ks.gov</u>.

For questions about ARPA please contact the Kansas Office of Recovery at <a href="mailto:recovery@ks.gov">recovery@ks.gov</a>.

More information about the program is available here.

## **Examples of potential projects:**



In Qualified Census Tracts (QCTs), improvement of bike or walking trails (investment in public outdoor recreation spaces)



Runway extension project at a local airport (addressing travel/tourism impact of COVID)



Sewer extension projects with road preservations (investments in water and sewer infrastructure)



Drainage projects connected to pedestrian or street improvements (investments in water and sewer infrastructure)



Bridge replacement project (ARPA eligible through revenue replacement)

These potential examples are **meant to generate ideas for local governments** to implement KDOT Cost Share Program projects and are non-exhaustive.

Note that KDOT awards funding twice a year for the Cost Share Program.

According to the <u>U.S. Department of Treasury</u>, ARPA Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (LFRF) dollars **may be eligible to improve outdoor space as a response to the public health emergency** and/or its negative impacts (see <u>FAQ 2.18</u>).